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RESPONSE

This is in response to the Official Action mailed August 9, 2006. Claims 48-59 and 62-68 are in the case. Reconsideration is respectfully requested:

I. OBVIOUSNESS-TYPE DOUBLE PATENTING

Claims 54-59 stand provisionally rejected on obviousness-type double patenting grounds as allegedly unpatentable over claims 31, 32 and 38-41 of copending Application Serial No. 09/930,494. Applicants will consider filing a Terminal Disclaimer when otherwise allowable subject matter is indicated.